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SUBJ: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: PROJECT V-2.1

(PROTECTION OF NORTHERN ECOSYSTEMS)

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING FROM WILLIAM BROWN TO KAZAKOV OF HYDROMET.

2. "DEAR YURIY: YOU WILL RECALL THAT DURING THE MID-YEAR REVIEW WE DISCUSSED WITH ACADEMICIAN IZRAEL THE PRESUMED CANCELLATION BY THE SIVIET SIDE OF THE PLANNED VISIT TO THE USA OF A SOVIET TEAM TO EXAMINE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH THE RECLAMATION AND REVEGETATION OF LAND DIS-

TURBED BY MINING. THIS VISIT WAS PROPOSED BY THE PROJECT LEADERS (SKOOG/DENISOV) AND APPROVED BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1975 AS PART OF PROJECT V-2.1,
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NORTHERN ECOSYSTEMS(SEE THE

RUSSIAN TEXT OF THE MEMORANDUM, PAGE TWENTY, PARAGRAPH ONE). AS I MENTIONED, DR. DENISOV HAD TOLD DR. SKOOG IN A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ON APRIL 30, 1975, THAT THE SOVIET SIDE WOULD BE UNABLE TO CARRY OUT THIS COMMITMENT THIS YEAR. IN OUR DISCUSSIONS, HOWEVER, ACADEMICIAN IZRAEL RAISED THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE SOVIET TEAM MIGHT NOW BE ABLE TO VISIT THE USA.

3. DR. SKOOG IS QUITE WILLING TO RESCHEDULE SUCH A VISIT. FROM HIS VIEWPOINT, THE EARLIEST TIME IT COULD NOW OCCUR WOULD BE LATE AUGUST-EARLY SEPTEMBER; LATER DATES ARE ALSO POSSIBLE, BUT IN ANY EVENT HE NEEDS ADEQUATE TIME TO PREPARE PLANS. I WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE YOUR INFORMING ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE SOVIET SIDE'S DECISION IN THIS MATTER (INCLUDING SUGGESTED DATES AND COMPOSITION OF THE SOVIET TEAM IF THE TRIP IS TO BE MADE THIS YEAR) SO THAT DR. SKOOG CAN MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS.

SINCERELY,
WILLIAM A. BORWN"

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